OR LOSS OF ANY BENEFITS TO WHICH ENTITLED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1973. THEY SHALL BE CREDITED WITH THE YEARS OF SERVICE RENDERED IN HOWARD COUNTY FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING FUTURE ANNUAL AND SICK LEAVE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

CHAPTER 481

(Senate Bill 1112)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, without amendment, Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 403 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1969, as Section 1 was amended by Chapter 2 of the Special Session of December 16, 1969 and as Sections 1 and 2 were amended by Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1972, and to repeal and re-enact, without amendment, Sections 5(2), 6 and 7 of Chapter 403 of the Acts of 1969, as they were amended by Chapter 4 of the Special Session of December 16, 1969, and as Section 5(2) was amended by Chapter 626 of the Acts of 1972, and as Sections 6 and 7 were amended without change by Chapter 702 of the Acts of 1970, by Chapter 730 of the Acts of 1971, and by Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1972; and to repeal and re-enact, with [lamendment]] amendments, Sections II, IIA, and IIC of Chapter 403 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1969, [las amended by Chapters 2 and 4 of the Special Session of December 16, 1969, as amended and supplemented by Chapter 702 of the Acts of 1970, Chapter 730 of the Acts of 1971, Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1972, and as amended by Chapter 626 of the Acts of 1972, 11 as Section 11A was added by Chapter 702 of the Acts of 1970, and as Section 11C was added by Chapter 730 of the Acts of 1971 and amended by Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1972; and to add new Section 11E thereto, to follow immediately after Section 11D thereof, as added by Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1972; to designate the projects which are to be funded under the Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969 for purposes of Program Open Space for the 1974 fiscal year and to transfer certain funds allocated to Wildlife Management projects for fiscal year 1970, 1971, and 1972 to other Department of Natural Resources Projects, and to resolve any possible doubt about the validity and effectiveness of such designation which might arise from a conclusion that such designation is an appropriation of State debt requiring in the same measure a provision for the collection of an annual tax or taxes to provide for principal and interest payments on that debt, and relating generally to the provisions of the Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969.

WHEREAS, There has been established a program to finance the acquisition of land and the development of such land by the State and its subdivisions for outdoor public recreational and open space purposes, said program being known as "Program Open Space"; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 403 of the Laws of Maryland of 1969 (the "Act") authorized and directed the Board of Public Works to issue a State loan to be known as the "Outdoor Recreation Land Loan of 1969" in the aggregate amount of \$60,000,000, the net actual cash proceeds of which are to be expended to fund Program Open Space; and